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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

MENIN et al.

Application No.: 09/900,733

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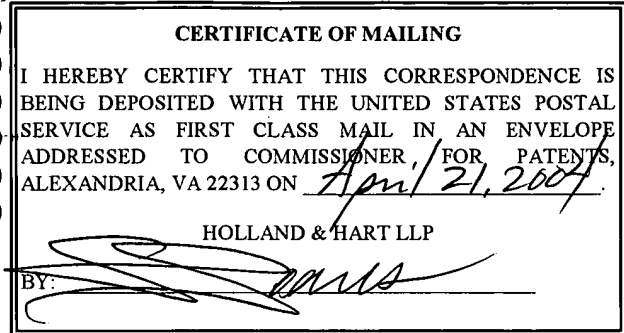
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Title: "AUTOMATED CLASSIFICATION  
USING A KNOWLEDGE BASE"

) Art Unit: 2172

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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of November 21, 2003, please amend and reconsider the above-identified application as follows:

*Amendments to the Claims* begin on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 10 of this paper.